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exclusivity between the applications, thereby permitting grant of GWETA's original application for a new radio station at Leonardtown, as proposed in FCC File No. BPED-930617MD.

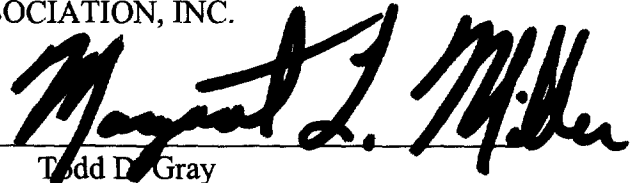
CUC's amendment, if approved, will conserve Commission resources and the resources of the applicants by avoiding the need for a hearing on the 307(b) and share-time issues specified in this proceeding. The termination of the hearing will also speed the institution of new noncommercial educational service to the Leonardtown area.

Attached as Exhibit 1 to these Comments is a Declaration from GWETA indicating compliance with Section 73.3525 of the Commission's Rules.

Respectfully submitted,

GREATER WASHINGTON EDUCATIONAL  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
ASSOCIATION, INC.

By:

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## **EXHIBIT 1**

**DECLARATION OF GREATER WASHINGTON EDUCATIONAL  
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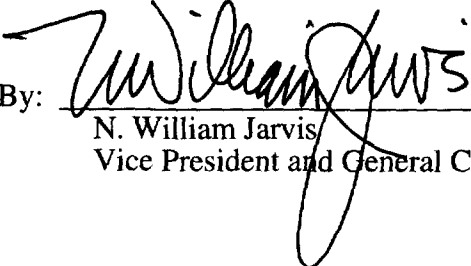
**BY N. WILLIAM JARVIS  
VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL COUNSEL**

I am the Vice President and General Counsel of Greater Washington Educational Telecommunications Association, Inc. ("GWETA"). GWETA supports the amendment of the application of Columbia Union College Broadcasting, Inc. ("CUC") for Station WGTS (FM), so as to resolve the conflict between the applications in this proceeding and to alleviate the need for a hearing.

The resolution of the mutual exclusivity between GWETA and CUC pursuant to the proposed amendment would conserve the resources of the FCC and the applicants, would expedite the grant of both the GWETA application and the amended CUC application, and would speed the institution of new noncommercial educational broadcast radio services in Leonardtown, Maryland, all of which will serve the public interest.

No money or other consideration has, directly or indirectly, been paid or promised to GWETA or its principals in this proceeding in connection with the amendment filed by CUC for Station WGTS (FM). I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on August 14, 1997.

**GREATER WASHINGTON EDUCATIONAL  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

By:   
N. William Jarvis  
Vice President and General Counsel

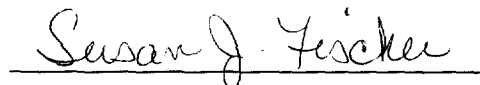
**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing "Comments in Support of Amendment" was served this 15th day of August, 1997, via hand-delivery or first class United States Mail, postage prepaid, upon the following:

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